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GUIDE SET TO A DRAWER

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LETTER

Sir:

Enclosed are an Office Action mailed February 20, 2007 by the Japanese Patent Office in a counterpart Japanese application and English translation thereof. The two references cited in the enclosed Office Action, JP5-9345 and AT 399 446, are both equivalent to DE 92 04 845.5 already of record (although Form PTO-1449 listing these two references is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience, should the Examiner want to make these two references of record in the above-identified application).

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)


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Original Claims 1-10 (prior to Preliminary Amendment) were examined in the enclosed Office Action. In this regard, it is respectfully pointed out original Claims 4-6 and 8-10 were not rejected over this art by the Japanese Patent Office.

Respectfully submitted,


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